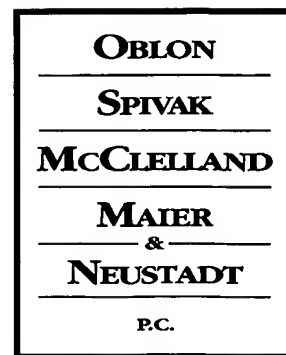




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CARBON SYSTEM MATERIAL THERMOCOUPLE
TYPE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE
APPARATUS

Group Art Unit: 2859

Examiner: JAGAN, M.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

ELECTION RESPONSE

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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In response to the Office Action dated August 16, 2004, Applicants elect Species 2, Figs. 2, for prosecution in the present application. The corresponding claims are Claims 1 to 3 and 6 to 16.

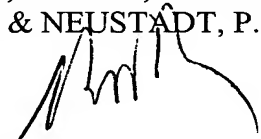
The above election is being made with traverse. Applicants note that any proper search for the elected species would substantially correspond to the field of search appropriate for the non-elected species, and so examining all of the claims would not present a substantial further burden on the office.

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Favorable and timely consideration of the elected species is requested.

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